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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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February 27, 2013

The Honorable Leonard Lance
Member, United States House Of
Representatives
ATTN: (b) (6)
425 North Avenue East Westfield
Westfield, New Jersey 07090

Dear Mr. Lance:

This is in response to your facsimile of February 20, 2013 concerning Mr. (b) (6) desire to enlist in the United States Navy.

For your and your constituent's information, all applicants for enlistment are tested with a pre-accession Non-Instrumented Drug Test (NIDT) while in the Delayed Entry Program (DEP). The NIDT is conducted 30 days prior to their enlistment on active duty and again within 24 hours of their enlistment on active duty. Then, all applicants are tested again for drugs and alcohol with a more precise, sensitive testing method called the Drug and Alcohol Test (DAT), which is administered at the Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) during their pre-enlistment medical examination before being sworn into active duty. Enlistees will not enter active duty without negative DAT results. Persons who test positive through DAT, but question the validity of the test, will not be retested or considered, regardless of the circumstances.

All applicants must be able to demonstrate, at the time of enlistment, that they are capable of maintaining a satisfactory pattern of conduct. Individuals who are not of the highest moral character would certainly be a liability when visiting foreign countries as members of the Navy and representatives of the United States. Applicants are given the opportunity to practice free and full disclosure throughout the enlistment process. Therefore, failure to disclose any drug use is in direct conflict with Navy policy and (b) (6) request for a waiver was disapproved. We have concluded that Mr. Filzer's waiver request was provided appropriate consideration. Therefore, (b) (6) remains ineligible for Navy enlistment.

We trust this information will be of assistance in responding to your constituent. Thank you for bringing your constituent's concerns to our attention.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

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